Design of a Manned Mars Mission using IMPRESS Technology

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Abstract

The objective of this creative investigation is the conceptual design of a propulsion system for a manned mission to Mars. Hydrogen and oxygen were selected as the propellants based upon their historical performance. The propellant storage system was a major consideration of the design due to the problems associated with storing hydrogen and oxygen. The most significant problems are the low density of hydrogen which requires large, heavy storage tanks and cryogenic storage of the propellants.

In order to circumvent these problems, new storage techniques have been incorporated into the design of the propulsion system. Water will be stored in high strength, low density graphite composite tanks until needed. The water will then be electrolyzed into hydrogen and oxygen and cryogenically stored in high strength, low density graphite epoxy composite tanks.

Incorporating these new technologies into the design significantly reduces the problems associated with using hydrogen and oxygen. Using the ideal rocket equation, a top level analysis was performed on five scenarios with different combinations of the presented technologies. Although initial calculations are positive, there are still limitations that must be overcome. Extensive testing and space qualification must be performed before these new technologies will be incorporated into a manned mission. More importantly, a manned spacecraft would be too heavy to launch from the surface of the Earth, therefore requiring that the spacecraft be constructed on orbit.

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Background

In 1957, the Soviet Union launched the world's first satellite Sputnik. This event started an era of intense space investigation, ultimately leading to man landing on the moon. With the continued exploration of the planet Mars a recurring question creeps into ones mind. Will man ever walk on Mars? Considering the curiosity of humans, the answer is most definitely yes. A manned mission to Mars is a complex and sensitive endeavor with two major questions, how and when. The spacecraft that is needed for such a journey would be so large that it would be impossible to launch from the Earth's surface. This leads one to conclude that the spacecraft would have to be constructed in space. Space construction of this magnitude would require a fully operational space station and extensive testing of spacecraft assembled on orbit. Therefore, the question of when such a mission could be accomplished becomes as dubious as how the mission can be accomplished.

Most theoretical manned Mars missions incorporate the use of nuclear technology to provide the necessary thrust levels for such an expedition. Nuclear power in space is an extremely sensitive issue that requires public education and political finesse. An excellent example of public concern about nuclear power in space is the Cassini mission to Saturn.

Cassini uses radio-isotropic thermonuclear generators (RTG) which harness energy created by the natural decay of plutonium¹. An RTG is not a nuclear reactor with moving parts that can fail, but there was still extreme public concern about *nuclear* power on board the spacecraft.

Coupling the political factors surrounding nuclear power in space are the complexity of building a reactor in space and the untested reliability of a nuclear reactor in space.

¹ www.jpl.nasa.gov/cassini/rtg/power.htm

Theoretically a nuclear reactor should work in a space environment, but there have never been any prototypes launched or tests conducted to validate the use of nuclear power in space.

Considering all the negatives surrounding a nuclear powered spacecraft, it seems unlikely to design a mission that uses nuclear technology. Therefore, it is necessary to consider other technology in order to accomplish a manned mission within the next fifty years. A liquid engine that uses hydrogen and oxygen is able to provide a higher specific impulse (Isp) than any other existing technology. Isp is the ratio of the thrust to the weight flow rate of the propellant. In other words, Isp is a measure of the energy content of the propellants and how efficiently it is converted into thrust². The major drawback with using hydrogen and oxygen is long-term cryogenic storage. It would be extremely difficult to cryogenically store the propellants for the six month journey to Mars but impossible to cryogenically store the propellants for two and a half years until the return voyage.

Consider a scenario where the hydrogen and oxygen are stored as water until needed. The water is then separated into hydrogen and oxygen using electrolysis. The use of water eliminates the need for long-term cryogenic propellant storage. Once separated, the propellants will be cryogenically stored in high strength, graphite composite tanks to further reduce the mass of the system. Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL) is designing and developing the technological advances that can help make this mission possible.

² Larson, W.J. and Wertz, J.R. p. 640.

Introduction

As we approach the twenty-first century, space exploration is continuing at a steady rate. Although NASA is moving toward smaller, less expensive missions, there is still the lingering idea of human exploration of our universe. With a multitude of robot exploration missions of Mars, it is only logical that the next advance will be an astronaut walking on Mars.

At this moment in time, human exploration of Mars is nearly impossible due to the duration of the voyage to and from Mars. In theory the only possible means of travel to Mars would require nuclear power. Political and environmental activists make nuclear travel almost impossible. This leads to new advances in other propulsion systems.

Liquid propulsion is the only other technology available at this time that is capable of producing enough specific impulse to send a manned mission to Mars. Hydrogen and Oxygen are the only propellant combination that a high enough Isp to accomplish such an endeavor. In order to store enough hydrogen and oxygen, cryogenics must be employed. Since the mission to Mars takes well over six months, with at least an eighteen month stay and a six month return journey, it is impossible to cryogenically store the propellants for the return mission.

Although long-term use of cryogenics is not feasible, imagine if water could be stored on board the spacecraft and converted to hydrogen and oxygen as needed. Thanks to Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory that dream is a reality. The Integrated Modular Propulsion and Regenerative Electro-Energy Storage System (IMPRESS) uses solar energy to create hydrogen and oxygen from water by electrolysis.

After the hydrogen and oxygen are created, they will be stored using cryogenics for a short duration until used. Cryogenics must be used in order to liquefy the propellants. Without the cryogenic density, it becomes impossible to store the hydrogen and oxygen. The mass of the storage tanks becomes so great, that the mission is unfeasible. Titanium is presently the strongest, lightest material used for propellant storage tanks. Preliminary testing of graphite/epoxy composite tanks show a strength increase of eight fold compared to similar tanks created from Titanium³. Using the composite material further reduces the mass of the storage tanks.

Analysis of the Mars mission begins with a comparison of a Hohmann transfer and a one tangent burn. The transfer orbit was selected by comparing the time of flight with the additional ΔV needed. The ΔV was then used in a top-level analysis of the Mars mission. Different scenarios were considered and analyzed by using different combinations of IMPRESS, titanium tanks, the graphite/epoxy composite tanks and the on board cryogenic storage system. The scenarios were compared and the best one was selected.

³ Mitlitsky, Groot, Butler, and McElroy. p. 15.

Specific Topics of Review

Mars Transfer Orbit

The transfer orbit is the driving factor in determining the fuel needed. A Hohmann transfer was initially considered because of the efficiency, but the penalty is the time of flight. The Hohmann transfer requires approximately nine months transition time, which is too long for a manned mission. In order to reduce the time of flight, a one tangent burn was considered. By adjusting the angle to the transfer point, time of flight can be optimized versus the ΔV needed. Calculations for Hohmann transfer and One Tangent Burn comparisons are located in Appendix A.

Hohmann Transfer:

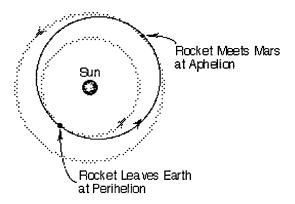


FIGURE 1: SCHEMATIC OF HOHMANN TRANSFER

In order to simplify calculations, the planetary orbits are assumed to be both circular and coplanar⁴. The energy of the transfer ellipse is calculated in order to determine the velocity of the transfer orbit at Earth and Mars.

⁴ Bate, R.R, Mueller, D.D., and White, J.E. p. 362.

Equation 1: Energy of Hohmann Transfer Ellipse

$$\varepsilon_T = \frac{-\mu_0}{r_1 + r_2} = \frac{-1}{1 + 1.524} = -0.3962 \frac{AU_{sun}^2}{TU_{sun}^2}$$

 ϵ_{T} = Energy of Hohmann Transfer Ellipse

 μ_0 = Gravitational Parameter of the sun

 r_1 = Radius from Sun to Earth in Astronomical Units

 r_2 = Radius from Sun to Mars in Astronomical Units

Equation 2: Velocity of Transfer Orbit at Earth/Mars

$$v_1 = \sqrt{2(\frac{\mu_{Sun}}{r_1} + \varepsilon_T)}$$

v₁ = Velocity of Transfer Orbit at Earth/Mars

r = Radius of Earth/Mars Orbit Around Sun

Equation 3: Velocity of Earth/Mars Orbit Around Sun

$$v_{planet} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_{Sun}}{r_{planet}}}$$

v_{Planet} = Velocity of Earth/Mars Heliocentric Orbit

 μ_{Sun} = Gravitational Parameter of Sun (1.3271544 E11 km³/sec²)

r_{Planet} = Radius of Earth/Mars Heliocentric Orbit

Equation 4: Change in Velocity to get on/off Transfer Orbit

$$\Delta V_{on} = V_{tx} - V_{planet}$$

$$\Delta V_{off} = V_{planet} - V_{tx}$$

The velocity of the parking orbits at Earth and Mars are calculated using the gravitational parameters of the respective planet and the altitude of the parking orbit, as indicated in the following equation.

Equation 5: Velocity of Parking Orbit

$$v_{Park} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_{Planet}}{r_{Park}}}$$

v_{Park} = Velocity of Parking Orbit

μ_{Planet} = Gravitational Parameter of Planet

 r_{Park} = Radius of Parking Orbit

Following the patched conic method for interplanetary transfers, the energy of the transfer orbit at each planet is determined using the required change in velocity needed from equation 4 above. The energy at each planet is used to determine the velocity of the Hohmann transfer ellipse at perihelion and aphelion.

Equation 6: Energy of Hohmann Ellipse at perihelion and aphelion

$$\varepsilon = \frac{\Delta v^2_{planet}}{2}$$

Equation 7: Velocity of Hohmann Transfer Ellipse at perihelion and aphelion

$$v_h = \sqrt{2\left(\frac{\mu_0}{r_{park}} + \varepsilon\right)}$$

Equation 8: Total Change in Velocity

$$\Delta v_1 = v_h - v_{park}$$

$$\Delta v_2 = v_{park} - v_h$$

$$\Delta v_{Total} = \Delta v_1 + \Delta v_2$$

Considering the affects of extended exposure to the space environment, the time of flight of the transfer orbit becomes the critical factor. The time of flight calculation for a Hohmann transfer from Earth to Mars is shown below.

Equation 9: Time of Flight

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$$TOF = \pi \sqrt{\frac{(r_{earth} + r_{mars})^3}{8\mu_{sum}}} = \pi \sqrt{\frac{(2.524)^3}{8}} = 4.4512TU_{sum} = 258.9 days$$

TOF = Time of Flight of Hohmann Transfer Orbit

One Tangent Burn:

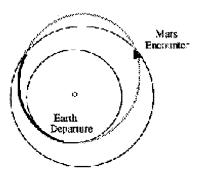


FIGURE 2: SCHEMATIC OF ONE TANGENT BURN

Due to the fact that time of flight is so critical when considering a manned mission, other transfer methods must be employed. The quickest transfer orbit is the one tangent burn shown above. This transfer orbit consists of a perihelion burn which is tangent to the Earth's orbit about the sun and a non-tangential burn at the intersection with Mars. The angle to the transfer point can be adjusted to optimize the time of flight versus the additional change in velocity. Calculation of a one tangent burn commences with determining the eccentricity and semi-major axis of the transfer orbit as expressed in equations 10 through 12.

Equation 10: Inverse R ratio

$$R^{-1} = \frac{r_i}{r_f} = \frac{1}{1.524} = 0.6562$$

ri = Radius from the Sun to the Earth

rf = Radius from the Sun to Mars

Equation 11: Eccentricity of Transfer Orbit

$$e_{trans} = \frac{R^{-1} - 1}{\cos(\nu_{transb}) - R^{-1}} (periapsis)$$

e_{trans} = Eccentricity of Transfer Orbit

 v_{trans} = Angle to Transfer Point

Equation 12: Semi-major Axis of Transfer Orbit

$$a_{trans} = \frac{r_{init}}{1 - e_{trans}} (periapsis)$$

 ${\bf a}_{\rm trans}$ = Semi-Major Axis of Transfer Orbit ${\bf r}_{\rm init}$ = Radius from the Sun to the Earth

Similar to the Hohmann transfer, the velocity of Earth's orbit, Mar's orbit and the velocity of the transfer orbit had to be calculated in order to determine the change in velocity needed.

Equation 13: Velocity of Earth

$$v_{earth} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_{sum}}{r_{earth:sum}}}$$

Equation 14: Velocity of Mars

$$v_{mars} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_{sum}}{r_{mars,sum}}}$$

Equation 15: Velocity of Transfer Orbit at Earth

$$v_{trans_a} = \sqrt{\frac{2\mu}{r_{init}} - \frac{\mu}{a_{trans}}}$$

V_{transa} = Velocity of Transfer Orbit at Earth

 μ = Gravitational Parameter of the Sun in Astronomical Units

Equation 16: Velocity of Transfer Orbit at Mars

$$v_{trans_b} = \sqrt{\frac{2\mu}{r_{fin}} - \frac{\mu}{a_{trans}}}$$
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Velocity of Transfer Orbit at Mars

Equations 17 through 20 were used to calculate the ΔV at Earth, at Mars and the total change in velocity needed for the mission.

Equation 17: Change in Velocity at Earth

$$\Delta v_a = v_{trans_a} - v_{earth}$$

Equation 18: Flight Path Angle for Non-tangential Transfer

$$\phi_{trans_b} = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{e_{trans}\sin(v_{trans_b})}{1 + e_{trans}\cos(v_{trans_b})}\right)$$

 ϕ_{transb} = Flight Path Angle for Non-tangential Transfer

Equation 19: Change in Velocity at Mars

$$\Delta v_b = \sqrt{v_{trans_b}^2 + v_{fin}^2 - 2v_{trans_b}v_{fin}\cos(\phi_{trans_b})}$$

Equation 20: Total Change in Velocity for Mission

$$\Delta v_{otb} = \left| \Delta v_a \right| + \left| \Delta v_b \right|$$

The main reason for using the one tangent burn transfer orbit is to reduce the time of flight of the transfer orbit. The time of flight can be calculated using equations 21 and 22.

Equation 21: Eccentric Anomaly of Transfer Orbit at Transfer Point

$$E = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{e_{trans} + \cos(v_{trans_b})}{1 + e_{trans}\cos(v_{trans_b})}\right)$$

E = Eccentric Anomaly of Transfer Orbit at Transfer Point

Equation 22: Time of Flight for One Tangent Burn

$$TOF_{trans} = \sqrt{\frac{a_{trans}^3}{\mu}} \left\{ 2k\pi + (E - e_{trans}\sin(E)) - (E_0 - e_{trans}\sin(E_0)) \right\}$$

TOF = Time of Flight of One Tangent Burn Transfer Orbit

Comparison of the transfer angle versus the time of flight and required change in velocity concludes that a ϕ of 145 degrees produces a time of flight of 193 days. This is a 66 day savings on the time of flight with an increase in ΔV of only 723.5 meters per second. Hence the transfer orbit is much shorter with a very slight ΔV penalty.

Hydrogen/Oxygen Rocket

Based upon proven technology, hydrogen and oxygen produce the highest Isp of any existing technology. There are a few problems with the storage of hydrogen and oxygen, the size of the tanks and long-term cryogenic storage. Due to the low density of hydrogen, the storage tanks are large and heavy which can increases the spacecraft's inert mass. In order to account for the extra weight, more propellant is added, which increases the weight so more propellant is needed. The other problem is long-term cryogenic storage of the liquid oxygen and liquid hydrogen. This is the limiting factor in using oxygen and hydrogen for interplanetary missions. It would be complex to design the cryogenic system to last the six month journey to Mars. Yet it would be impossible to store the propellants for two and a half years for the return trip. Using new technology, discussed below, the disadvantages of using hydrogen and oxygen can be overcome.

IMPRESS

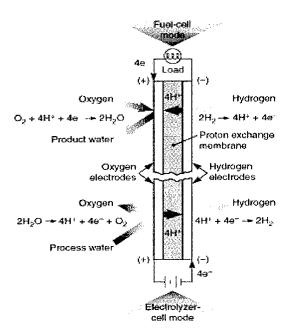


FIGURE 3: IMPRESS

Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory in Livermore, CA has created IMPRESS, which stands for Integrated Modular Propulsion and Regenerative Electro-energy Storage System. IMPRESS is an electrolyzer that uses electrical power to convert water into hydrogen and oxygen. In order to obtain an Isp of 435 seconds an oxidizer to fuel ratio (O/F) of 3.8 is desired, but IMPRESS creates an O/F between 7.5 - 9.1. The extra oxygen created can be used for life support for the manned mission. IMPRESS can also be used to create oxygen for breathing, the hydrogen created can be used for cold gas thruster attitude control. By using IMPRESS, the hydrogen and oxygen are stored on the spacecraft in the form of water eliminating any need for long-term cryogenic storage. After the water is converted into hydrogen and oxygen, cryogenics will be employed to further reduce the mass of the storage tanks.

DOE/Ford T1000G Fuel Bladder

Propellant mass is a major factor when considering the use of hydrogen and oxygen. Due to the low density of hydrogen, the storage tank is very large and heavy. Until recently, titanium was the only low density, high strength material that could be used for storage tanks. Lawrence Livermore National Laboratories has created a graphite composite tank called the T1000G. The T1000G has a proven performance factor of 50,800 meters compared to titanium's performance factor of 6350 meters, this is an eight fold increase in performance. By using T1000G technology, the storage tanks dimensions and mass are greatly reduced, thereby eliminating the other historical problem associated with using hydrogen as a fuel.

On Board Cryogenic Propellant Storage System⁵

Although long-term storage of the propellants in unfeasible, it is necessary to store the hydrogen and oxygen at cryogenic temperature for a short duration before use in order to reduce the size of the storage tanks. Without cryogenics, the densities of the hydrogen and oxygen gas require tanks that are extremely large. This increases the inert mass of the system making the mission impossible. Assuming it is possible to store the hydrogen and oxygen gas at 100 Kelvin without cryogenics, the mass of the storage tanks would be 1.45 million kilograms for the oxygen tank and 6.06 million kilograms for the hydrogen tank. If the spacecraft was outfitted with an 11,000 kilogram cryogenic storage unit⁶, the density obtained by using liquid hydrogen and liquid oxygen reduces the mass of the storage tanks to 830 kilograms for the oxygen tanks and 3500 kilograms for the hydrogen tank. Therefore, by adding the cryogenic storage system, the overall system mass is reduced significantly.

Top Level Design of a Liquid Rocket

After selecting the technology to aid in the mission, a top-level analysis was conducted to determine if this "water" rocket could work. Based upon the selected Isp and an estimated payload mass of 30,000 kilograms and an 11,000 kilogram cryogenic storage system, the ideal rocket equation was used to determine preliminary estimates for propellant, inert structure, initial and final mass.

⁵ Kohout,L.L.

⁶ Kohout,L.L. p. 7.

Equation 23: Mass of Propellant (ideal rocket equation)

$$m_{\text{prop}} = \frac{m_{pay} \left(e^{\frac{\Delta V}{Isp^*g_0}} - 1 \right) \left(1 - f_{inen} \right)}{1 - f_{inen} * e^{\frac{\Delta V}{Isp^*g_0}}}$$

 m_{prop} = mass of propellant m_{pay} = mass of payload f_{inert} = inert mass fraction lsp = Specific Impulse g_0 = Gravity, 9.81 m/sec2

 $\Delta V = Velocity Change$

Equation 24: Mass of Inert Structure

$$m_{inert} = \frac{f_{inert}}{1 - f_{inert}} m_{prop}$$

m_{inert} = Mass of Inert Structure

Equation 25: Mass of Initial Spacecraft

$$m_{init} = m_{pay} + m_{inert} + m_{prop}$$

m_{init} = Mass of Initial Spacecraft

Equation 26: Mass of Final Spacecraft

$$m_{fin} = m_{pay} + m_{iner}$$

 m_{fin} = Mass of Final Spacecraft

Before an in depth mission analysis was conducted, equations 23 through 26 were used to create Dummkopf Charts. These charts compare the Isp required versus initial mass for different inert mass fractions based upon payload mass and ΔV required. The Dummkopf charts for this mission are located in Appendix B.

From figure B.12 in appendix B of Humble, Henry and Larson, an oxygen to fuel (O/F) ratio of 3.8 was selected based upon the 435 seconds of Isp. Using figures B.9., B.10, and B.11. and an O/F of 3.8, chamber temperature (Tc), molecular weight (MW) and γ were determined. Engine length, diameter and mass were calculated using the following equations.

Equation 27: Thrust

$$F = \frac{F}{W} * g_0 * M_{init}$$

F = Thrust

F/W = Thrust to Weight Ratio

Equation 28: Mass of Engine

$$m_{engine} = \frac{F}{g_0 (25.2 \log F - 80.7)} \text{ kg}$$

$$m_{engine} = \text{Mass of Engine}$$

Equation 29: Length of Engine

 $L_{engine} = 0.00003042F + 327.7$ cm

L_{engine} = Length of Engine

Equation 30: Diameter of Engine

 $D_{engine} = 0.00002359F + 181.3$ cm

D_{engine} = Diameter of Engine

An expander cycle engine was chosen with regenerative cooling. The expander cycle engine was chosen because of the relative simplicity, low cost and high efficiency.

Regenerative cooling will be used in conjunction with the expander cycle. Cooling the thrust-chamber by heat transfer vaporizes the propellants before going into the chamber. In order to keep the system small and simple, the design incorporates a "blow down" concept. A "blow down" system uses extra propellant to maintain pressure in the tanks instead of using pumps or pressurants. This reduces both complexity and weight. Twenty percent extra is added to the propellant mass in order to keep the tanks pressurized.

Cryogenic storage of hydrogen and oxygen provide densities of 71 and 1142 kg/m³, respectively⁷. These densities do not apply when cryogenics are not being used. In order to determine the density of the hydrogen and oxygen gas at a given temperature and pressure the ideal gas law must be used. The volume of the storage tank was calculated using equations 31 and 32, listed below.

Equation 31: Density of Propellant

$$\rho = \frac{p}{R * Temp}$$

 ρ = Density of Propellant

p = Tank Pressure

R = Specific Gas Constant

Temp = Storage Temperature of Propellant

Equation 32: Volume of Propellant

$$V = \frac{m}{\rho}$$

V = Volume of Propellant

⁷ Humble, R.W., Henry, G.N., and Larson, W.J. p. 696.

After determining the pressurant requirements, the tank sizes and masses were calculated using the hoop stress and tank factor methods. By using the T1000G graphite composite tank, it was possible to obtain a tank factor (\$\phi\$) of 50,800 meters. This is an eight fold increase over the next strongest material, titanium, with a tank factor of 6350 meters. The mass of the tanks was calculated with the subsequent equations.

Hoop Stress Method

Equation 33: Volume of Cylindrical Tank

$$V_c = \pi r_c^2 l_c$$
 V_c = Volume of Cylindrical Tank
 r_c = Radius of Cylindrical Tank
 l_c = Length of Cylindrical Tank

Equation 34: Surface Area of Cylindrical Tank

$$A_c = 2\pi r_c l_c$$

A_c = Surface Area of Cylindrical Tanks

Equation 35: Thickness of Cylinder Wall

$$\begin{split} t_c &= \frac{p_{burst} r_c}{F_{all}} \\ &\quad t_{\rm c} = \text{Thickness of Cylinder Wall} \\ &\quad p_{\rm burst} = \text{Burst Pressure} \\ &\quad F_{\rm all} = \text{Allowable Material Strength} \end{split}$$

Equation 36: Mass of Tank - Hoop Stress

$$m_{ an k} = A_c t_c
ho_{mat}$$
 $m_{ an k} = ext{Mass of Tank}$
 $ho_{ ext{mat}} = ext{Density of Tank Material}$

Tank Factor Method

Equation 37: Mass of Tank - Tank Factor

$$m_{ an k} = rac{p_{burst} * V_{ an k}}{g_0 * \phi_{ an k}}$$
 $\phi_{ an k} = an k$ Factor

After sizing the tanks, the chamber and nozzle were sized. Columbium is a common material used for chambers and nozzles, therefore it was selected for this design. A bell nozzle was incorporated into the design in order to maximize efficiency. The chamber and nozzle were sized using the ensuing equations.

Equation 38: Exit Area

$$A_e = \frac{A_t}{M_e} \sqrt{\left[\left(\frac{2}{\gamma+1}\right)\left(1 + \frac{\gamma-1}{2} M_e^2\right)\right]^{\left(\frac{\gamma+1}{\gamma-1}\right)}}$$

A_e = Exit Area

 $A_t =$ Area of the Throat

M_e = Exit Mach Number

γ = Isentropic Parameter

Equation 39: Length of Thrust Chamber

$$L_c = L \frac{A_t}{A_c}$$

L_c = Length of Thrust Chamber (m)

L = Chamber Characteristic Length (m)

Equation 40: Chamber Wall Thickness

$$t_{w} = f_{s} p \frac{r_{c}}{F_{tu}}$$

t_w = Thickness of Chamber Wall f_s = Factor of Safety

p = Applied Pressure

 r_c = Radius of Circular Cylinder F_{tu} = Ultimate Tensile Strength

Equation 41: Mass of Thrust Chamber

$$m_{tc} = \pi \rho t_{w} \left(2r_{tc}L_{tc} + \frac{r_{tc}^{2} - r_{t}^{2}}{\tan \theta_{tc}} \right)$$

 m_{tc} = Mass of Thrust Chamber ρ = Density of Wall Material

rtc = Radius of Thrust Chamber

Ltc = Length of Thrust Chamber

r, = Throat Radius

 θ_{tc} = Constant Contraction Half Angle

Equation 42: Exit Diameter

$$D_e = \sqrt{\frac{4 \, \varepsilon A_i}{\pi}}$$

D_e = Exit Diameter

ε = Nozzle Expansion Ratio

Equation 43: Throat Diameter

$$D_{i} = 2\sqrt{\frac{A_{i}}{\pi}}$$

D_t = Diameter of Throat

Equation 44: Nozzle Length

$$L_n = \frac{D_e - D_t}{2 \tan \theta_{cn}}$$

 L_n = Length of Nozzle

 θ_{cn} = Nozzle Cone Half Angle

Equation 45: Mass of Nozzle

$$m_n = \pi \rho t_w L_n (r_e + r_t)$$

m_n = Mass of Nozzle

r_e = Nozzle exit Radius

r, = Throat Radius

After all the mass estimates were complete, a total inert mass and propellant mass was calculated. From this information, an inert mass fraction was determined and compared to the initial selected inert mass fraction. The initial inert mass fraction was adjusted until the two numbers converged.

Discussion of Limitation

The propulsion system of a manned mission to Mars is just one of a multitude of components that must be studied, designed and tested. Similarly, all aspects of an interplanetary manned mission are plagued with problems and limitations. The proposed propulsion system in this design is limited by the new technology presented.

By integrating IMPRESS, the T1000G graphite tanks and an on board cryogenic storage system into the propulsion system many problems associated with a hydrogen/oxygen system are eliminated. The problem is that these are new technologies that have not been space proven as of yet. Due to the complexity and sensitivity of a manned mission, extensive tests need to be conducted to assure that there will be no risk ensued by the astronauts. Although the preliminary ground tests have promising results, they may not pass the rigorous qualification tests in order to prove space worthy for a manned mission.

Aside from the untested technology presented, the mission is also limited by the realization that such a large spacecraft would need to be assembled on orbit. This in itself leads to a complex problem that requires a fully operational space station and extensive testing of on orbit assembly. This factor alone delays any possibility of a manned mission to mars that utilizes this or similar designs.

Discussion of Application

This conceptual design incorporates transfer orbit analysis comparing a Hohmann transfer with a one tangent burn. Using a top-level design, different combinations of the discussed technologies were integrated into the design and compared.

In order to reduce the time of flight, a one tangent burn with a flight path angle of 145 degrees was selected. This reduced the time of flight to 193 days while increasing the ΔV only 723.5 meters per second. For the top-level design, the ΔV is needed for the Earth escape burn and the Mars insertion burn. The Earth escape burn required a ΔV of 3290 meters per second while the Mars insertion burn needed 3067 meters per second of ΔV .

The payload of 30 tonne (30,000 kilograms) and an 11 tonne cryogenic storage system was used to determine the propellant needed for the Mars insertion burn. The propellant required for the Mars burn was added to the payload mass for the Earth escape burn. Using the equations 23 through 26, the inert, initial and final masses were determined for the spacecraft. Because there is no staging, the spacecraft will have a constant inert mass. Realizing this, the inert mass calculated for the Earth escape becomes the inert mass for the Mars insertion calculations. Iteration is necessary until the calculations converge.

Conclusion

Top level analysis of the mission indicates promising results. The use of IMPRESS and the T1000G graphite tanks reduces the overall system mass to workable levels. But, this is only made possible by employing an on board cryogenic storage system. The table below compares the tank masses based upon combinations of the new technologies.

Technology	Mass Hydrogen Tank (kg)	Mass Oxygen Tank (kg)
IMPRESS, T1000G, CSS	3,517	831
IMPRESS, T1000G	6,061,067	1,451,013
IMPRESS, CSS, Titanium	126,094	29,790
CSS, T1000G	5200	1228
CSS, Titanium	13,158,324	3,108,683

FIGURE 4: COMPARISON OF TANK MASS VERSUS TECHNOLOGIES USED

From Figure 4 above it is evident that without the incorporation of this or similar cutting edge technology, that a manned mission to Mars would be improbable using hydrogen and oxygen. Although this design does not conduct a mass breakdown of the specific components of the spacecraft, there is plenty of margin built into the top level design to account for unanticipated extras.

The primary objective of this creative investigation was to illustrate that a manned mission to Mars was possible using existing liquid rocket engine technology. Incorporation of state of the art and next generation storage techniques provide a reduction in the inert mass of the system that make the proposed mission feasible.

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Appendix A: Orbit Calculations

$$E_{T} = -M_{0}/(r_{1}+r_{2}) = -1/(1+1.524) = -0.3962 \text{ AU}_{0}^{2}/TU_{0}^{2}$$

$$V_{t} = \sqrt{2(\frac{40}{r_{1}}+E_{t})} = \sqrt{2(\frac{1}{1}+-0.362)} = \sqrt{1.2076} = 1.0989 \text{ AU}/TU_{0}$$

$$= 32.73 \text{ Km/sec}$$

T.O.F. =
$$\pi \sqrt{\frac{(a+r_0)^3}{8\mu_0}} = \pi \sqrt{\frac{(2.524)^3}{8}} = 4.4512 \, \text{Tu}_0 = 0.788 \, \text{yrs} = \frac{258.9 \, \text{days}}{8}$$

$$\Delta U_1 = V_{Tx} - V_{\phi} = 2.94 \text{ Km/s}$$

$$\Delta V_2 = V_{\phi} - \sqrt{V_3 \left(\frac{2}{V_3} - \frac{1}{4_4}\right)} = 2.65 \frac{\text{Km}}{\text{s}}$$

· AV needed @ Earth to get on trans. orbot

· Wheeded for Mars insertion

Leaving Furth V = 2.94 Km/s Vack - \(\frac{140}{\tag{6878}} = \frac{3.986\(\var{E}5}{6878} = 7.64 27 \(\var{K} \) $e = \frac{1}{2} = \frac{2.94^2}{2} = 4.322$ Vho = $\sqrt{2\left(\frac{A_0}{r_{av}K} + E\right)} = \sqrt{2\left(\frac{3.186ES}{6078} + 4.322\right)} = 11.1602 Km/s$

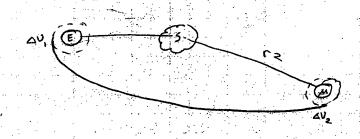
AVO = 11.1602 -7.6127 = 3.5475 FM/s

Wea - EVOP - 2.65 Kings VACK = JAS/FACK = JASOTS = 3.325 Km/s E= 1/2 = 3.51 Vho = \(2\left(\frac{Mg}{\text{Fack}} + \varepsilon\right) = 5,3979 Km/s AV8 = 3.3125-5.3979 = -2.0854 Km/s

orbit transfer

Les to Mars - one - tangent burn , Patched Conic

r = 1AU r2 = 1.524 AU





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$$R^{-1} = \frac{\Gamma_{i}}{\Gamma_{f}} = \frac{1}{1.524} = 0.6562$$
• $e_{trans} = \frac{R^{-1} - 1}{G_{5}(A_{trans}) + R^{-1}}$ (per 1 a p s 1 s 5)

Plot shows optimal V+ = 1450 e=0.233029 Q+ = 1.30383 Au

> AV = 0.110918 AU/Tu = 3.20878 Km/s AV = 0.145319 Au/Tu = 4.3283 Km/s AV = 0.255737 Au/Tu = 7.61709 Km/s

TOF= 192 days

Leaving Earth

Vo = 3. 28878 Km/s

Upark = \[\frac{14}{7park} = \frac{3.98665}{6878} = 7.61268 Km/s

 $\varepsilon = \frac{40^2}{2} = 5.40804$

Vho = $\sqrt{2\left(\frac{10}{1000 \text{ K}} + E\right)} = 10.90262 \text{ Km/s}$

AUD = 10,90262 - 7.61268 = 3.28994 Km/s

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ULS = J=(=+e) = 6.3913 Kals

AV8 = 3.325 6.3915 = -3.0665 Km/s

DU6+ = 6. 35644 Km/s

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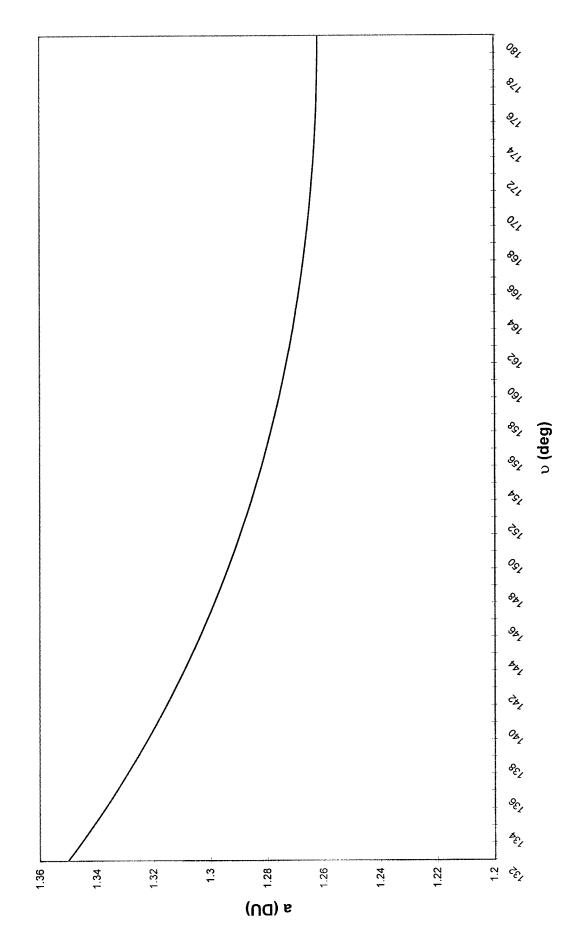
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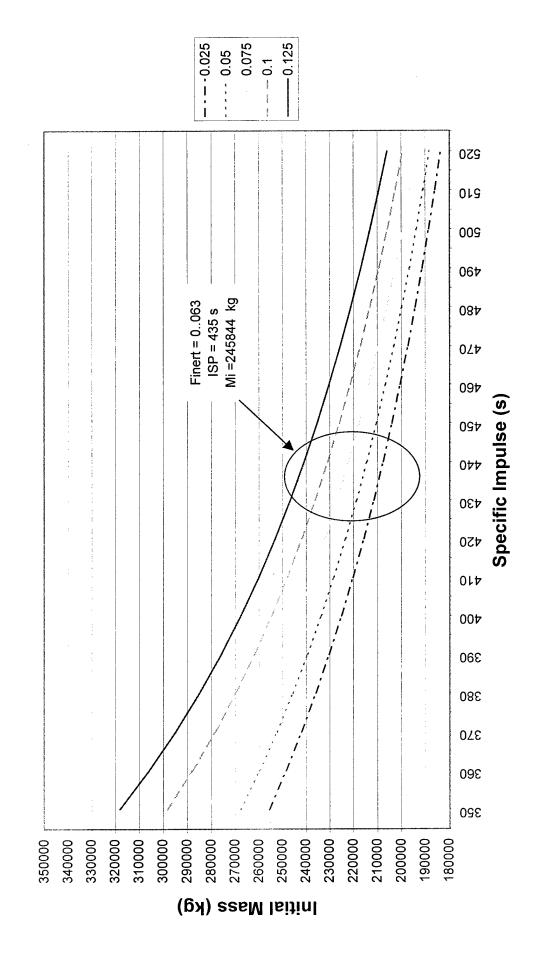
Appendix B: Preliminary Mission Analysis using Dummkopf Charts

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Dummkopf Chart (Earth Escape) Initial Mass vs. ISP, Payload = 94046 kg, Delta V = 3290 m/s

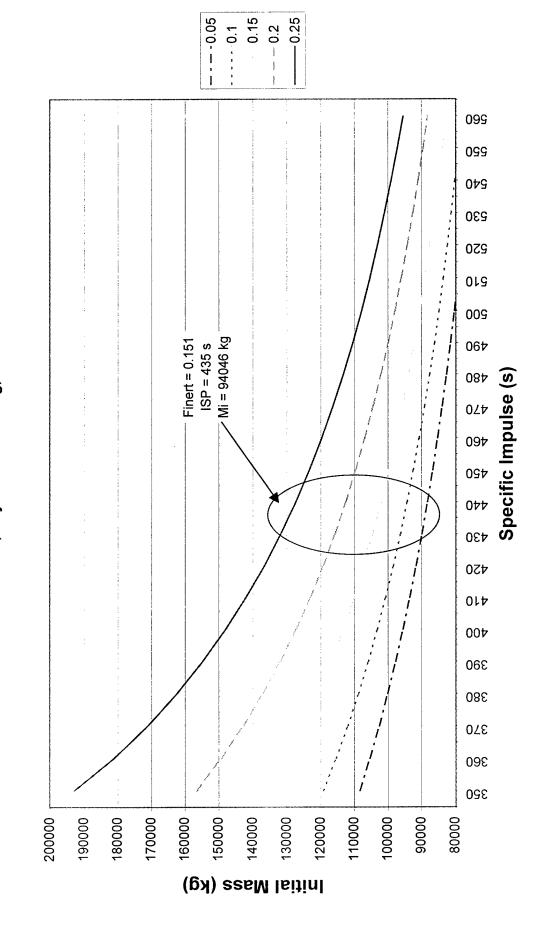


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Dummkopf Chart (Mars Insertion Orbit)

Initial Mass Vs. ISP, Payload = 41000 kg, Delta V = 3067 m/s



Appendix C: Top Level Mission Analysis

IMPRESS T1000G Cryogenic Storage System

Mars mission design

Given

g0

3290 m/s dV Mass of Habitat Unit 30000 kg 11000 kg Mass of Cryo Unit Mass of Payload 94046.75849 kg 6 earth G's Max G (F/W) Thrust to Weight Ratio 1.2 9.81 m/s^2

Thrust Requirement-top level analysis

435 sec ISP 0.063 finert 142234.5166 kg mass prop

add 20% for residual

max inert mass 9563.25992 kg max initial mass 245844.535 kg F 2894081.866 N

Part 1: system mass and envelope

3592.027051 kg Ме 15659.96208 cm Le De 10346.35226 cm

Part 2: propellant Oxygen and Hydrogen

O/F 3.8 ISP 435 sec

Part 3 & 4:Engine cycle and cooling approach

Expander cycle Regenerative cooling

Part 5: Pressure levels

Exit pressure (Pe)	15000 Pa	selected
Chamber pressure (Pc)	11500000 Pa	selected
Atmospheric pressure(Pa)	650 Pa	vacuum
γ	1.23	O/F = 3.8
Tc	2800 K	O/F = 3.8
MW	9.8 kg/kmol	O/F = 3.8
c*	2402.69663 m/s	1.02 c* eff.

Output

Me	4.627484385	eq 3.100
ε	52.52696338	to get Pe
mdot propellant	678.1918207	eq 1.7
At	0.141694713	eq 3.133
Ae	7.442793014	using ε
mdot ox	536.901858	O/F = 3.8
mdot fuel	141.2899626	O/F = 3.8

Determination of Propellant Needed at Mars

 Mpayload
 41000 kg

 Minert
 9380.228 kg

 Isp
 435 sec

 g0
 9.81 m/s^2

 Delta V
 3067 m/s

 finert
 0.151 selected

M prop 53046.76 kg

finert 0.150259 calculated

c*	2402.697
gamma	1.23
g0	9.81
Pe	15000
Pa	650
lambda	0.95

Pc	Ме	3	ISP	
0	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	
500000	2.83838	4.991658	378.6091	
1000000	3.220975	8.245424	394.7603	
1500000	3.446272	11.12957	403.0735	
2000000	3.607461	13.80014	408.5232	
2500000	3.733469	16.32383	412.5138	
3000000	3.837156	18.73714	415.6299	
3500000	3.925385	21.06289	418.168	
4000000		23.31658	420,2979	
4500000		25.50935	422.1254	
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5500000		29.74377		
6000000		31.79709		
6500000				
7000000				
7500000			429.5304	
8000000			430.4091	
	4.445101		431.2235	
9000000		43.45192		
9500000		45.30589		
	4.511003	47.13918		
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13500000		59.48504	437.102	
14000000		61.18941		
14500000				
15000000		64.5603	438.362	
15500000		66.22786	438.7484	
16000000		67.88413	439.12	
16500000		69.52955		
17000000		71.16452	439.8227	
17500000		72.78943		
18000000		74.40461		
18500000				
19000000			441.0888	
19500000		79.19508	441.3802	
20000000	4.969526	80.77452	441.6628	
20500000	4.98505	82.34573	441.9369	
21000000	5.000222	83.90893	442.2031	
21500000	5.015059	85.46438	442.4617	
22000000	5.029576	87.01229	442.7131	
22500000	5.043786	88.55287	442.9577	
23000000	5.057703	90.08632	443.1958	
23500000	5.071339	91.61283	443.4278	
24000000		93.13259	443.6538	
24500000		94.64576	443.8742	
25000000		96.15251	444.0893	

 Isp
 435 sec

 f inert
 0.063

 payload
 94046.76 kg

 dV
 3290 m/s

Estimate Masses

Mprop 142234.5 eq. 1.27 Minert 9563.26 eq. 1.24 103610 Mfinal Minitial 245844.5 29632.19 O/F = 3.8 Mfuel 112602.3 O/F = 3.8 Mox Vfuel 417.3548 71 1142 98.60099 Vox

20% added for blow down extra

Size Tanks

Cizo rumo	spherical tanks Composite Ox	Composite Fuel
Density Prop.	1142	71
Mass Prop/Press.	112602.3256	29632.19096
MEOP tank (Pa)	2000000	2000000
Burst Press. (Pa)	4000000	4000000
Ftu (Pa)	1.16E+09	1.16E+09
Tank Density (kg/m ³)	1550	1550
Vol. (5% Ullage)	103.531035	438.2225423
radius (m)	2.91291167	4.711964772
area (m^2)	106.6263382	279.0062512
wall thickness (m)	0.005022261	0.008124077
mass tank (kg)	830.0332974	3513.335899
tank factor	50800	50800
mass tank using TF	830.9938834	3517.401834

Thrust Chamber		Nozzle	
N2O4/RP-1			
Input		Input	
Pc (Pa)	11500000		
c*	2402.69663	Nozzle Throat Dia	0.424749
gamma	1.23	Ae	7.442793
At	0.141694713	Nozzle exit Diam.	3.078386
Ae	7.442793014	Cone 1/2 angle (deg)	20
L* Table 5.6	0.5	Lf for eff=.985 fig 5.25	0.6
Mc	0.4	thick. throat wall (m)	0.018018
Ftu	3.10E+08 columbium	Using 1/2 chamber wall	
mult. factor	3	thick. nozzle exit	0.009009
cham cont angle	45	density nozzle mater.	8500 columbium
dens comb cham	8500 columbium		
expansion ratio	52.52696338		
Output		Output	
Ac (m^2)	0.329392156	Ln (m) 15 deg nozzle	3.645404
Chamber Len (m)	0.215085136	Ln bell nozzle (m)	2.187242
Chamber Dia (m)	0.647607225	theta n	38
Troat Dia (m)	0.424748528	theta e	13
Len:Dia ratio	0.332122817		.•
Cham Thick (m)	0.036036209	Using a non-tapered bell n	ozzle
Mass Cham (kg)	169.5331742	mass nozzle (kg)	1843.324
Mass Onam (Ng)	100.00017 72	made nezzie (ng)	
		Using a tapered nozzle	
		f1	-0.004119
		f2	0.606617
		mass nozzle (kg)	1266.132

Mass Summary

Total engine mass (using 50% for chamber & nozzle) Mass injectors (15%) mass oxidizer tank mass fuel tank	2871.331097 717.8327743 830.9938834 3517.401834
support structure (10% of tank & engine masses) feed system (system level estengine mass)	721.9726815 720.695954
Total Inert mass propellant mass payload mass Final mass Inert mass fraction	9380.228224 142234.5166 94046.75849 103426.9867 0.061868839
Initial mass of vehicle Thrust F/W	245661.5033 2894081.866 1.200894068
Check G limit	2.852383613

Appendix D: Top Level Analysis Using Different Technology Combinations

IMPRESS, T1000G without cryogenics

IMPRESS, Cryogenics with Titanium tanks

Cryogenics, T1000G tanks without IMPRESS

Cryogenics, Titanium tanks without IMPRESS

Mars mission design

IMPRESS, T1000G tanks without Cryogenic Storage

Given

 dV
 3290 m/s

 Mass of Habitat Unit
 30000 kg

 Mass of Cryo Unit
 11000 kg

 Mass of Payload
 4590614.889 kg

 Max G (F/W)
 6 earth G's

Thrust to Weight Ratio 1.2

g0 9.81 m/s^2

Thrust Requirement-top level analysis

ISP 435 sec finert 0.347 mass prop 16728974.15 kg

max inert mass 8889669.264 kg max initial mass 30209258.3 kg

F 355623388.7 N

Part 1: system mass and envelope

Me 268955.1642 kg Le 11145.76349 cm De 8570.45574 cm

Part 2: propellant

Oxygen and Hydrogen

O/F 3.8 ISP 435 sec

Part 3 & 4:Engine cycle and cooling approach

Expander cycle Regenerative cooling

Part 5: Pressure levels

Exit pressure (Pe)	15000 Pa	selected
Chamber pressure (Pc)	11500000 Pa	selected
Atmospheric pressure(Pa)	650 Pa	vacuum
γ	1.23	O/F = 3.8
Тс	2800 K	O/F = 3.8
MW	9.8 kg/kmol	O/F = 3.8

c* 2402.69663 m/s 1.02 c* eff.

add 20% for residual

Output

Me	4.627484385	eq 3.100
ε	52.52696338	to get Pe
mdot propellant	83335.88497	eq 1.7
At	17.41137826	eq 3.133
Ae	914.5668284	using ε
mdot ox	65974.24227	O/F = 3.8
mdot fuel	17361.6427	O/F = 3.8

Determination of Propellant Needed at Mars

 Mpayload
 41000 kg

 Minert
 9784866 kg

 Isp
 435 sec

 g0
 9.81 m/s^2

 Delta V
 3067 m/s

 f inert
 0.485 selected

M prop 4549615 kg

finert 0.68261 calculated

 Isp
 435 sec

 f inert
 0.347

 payload
 4590615 kg

 dV
 3290 m/s

Estimate Masses

Mprop 16728974 eq. 1.27 Minert 8889669 eq. 1.24

Mfinal 13480284 Minitial 30209258

 Mfuel
 3485203 O/F = 3.8

 Mox
 13243771 O/F = 3.8

 Vfuel
 719171.6 4.846135207

 Vox
 172169 76.92307692

Size Tanks

Size Tanks		
	spherical tanks	
	Composite	Composite
	Ox	Fuel
Density Prop.	76.92307692	4.846135207
Mass Prop/Press.	13243771.2	3485202.948
MEOP tank (Pa)	2000000	2000000
Burst Press. (Pa)	4000000	4000000
Ftu (Pa)	1.16E+09	1.16E+09
Tank Density (kg/m^3)	1550	1550
Vol. (5% Ullage)	180777.4769	755130.2097
radius (m)	35.07668724	56.49080262
area (m^2)	15461.33553	40101.93738
wall thickness (m)	0.060477047	0.097397936
mass tank (kg)	1449336.668	6054061.164
tank factor	50800	50800
mass tank using TF	1451013.965	6061067.444

20% added for blow down extra

Density

Temp Init (K)

Temp Fin (K)

Press Init

Press Fin

Density fin

R Density init Hydrogen

100

2000000

50000

2.5

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Oxygen

100

2.5 260

76.92307692 4.846135207 1.923076923 0.12115338

2000000

50000

Thrust Chamber		Nozzle	
N2O4/RP-1		Innut	
Input	44500000	Input	
Pc (Pa)	11500000	Names Threat Dia	4 700204
C*	2402.69663	Nozzle Throat Dia	4.708381
gamma	1.23	Ae	914.5668
At	17.41137826	Nozzle exit Diam.	34.12422
Ae	914.5668284	Cone 1/2 angle (deg)	20
L* Table 5.6	0.5	Lf for eff=.985 fig 5.25	0.6
Mc	0.4	thick. throat wall (m)	0.199733
Ftu	3.10E+08 columbium	Using 1/2 chamber wall	
mult. factor	3	thick. nozzle exit	0.099866
cham cont angle	45	density nozzle mater.	8500 columbium
dens comb cham	8500 columbium	ř	
expansion ratio	52.52696338		
охраною нацо	32.3233333		
Output		Output	
Ac (m^2)	40.47554979	Ln (m) 15 deg nozzle	40.40968
Chamber Len (m)	0.215085136	Ln bell nozzle (m)	24.24581
Chamber Dia (m)	7.178793115	theta n	38
Troat Dia (m)	4.708381392	theta e	13
Len:Dia ratio	0.029961183		
Cham Thick (m)	0.399465101	Using a non-tapered bell r	nozzle
Mass Cham (kg)	64818.86625	mass nozzle (kg)	2510851
Mass Chair (kg)	04010.00020	madd nozzio (ng)	2010001
		Using a tapered nozzle	
		f1	-0.004119
		f2	0.606617
		mass nozzle (kg)	1724640
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Mass Summary

Total engine mass (using 50% for chamber & nozzle) Mass injectors (15%) mass oxidizer tank mass fuel tank	3578917.058 894729.2645 1451013.965 6061067.444
support structure (10% of tank & engine masses) feed system	1109099.847 -3309961.894
(system level estengine mass)	
Total Inert mass	9784865.685
propellant mass	16728974.15
payload mass	4590614.889
Final mass	14375480.57
Inert mass fraction	0.369047477
Initial mass of vehicle	31104454.72
Thrust	355623388.7
F/W	1.165463606
Check G limit	2.521732041

Mars mission design

IMPRESS, Cryogenic Storage with Titanium Tanks

Given

 dV
 3290 m/s

 Mass of Habitat Unit
 30000 kg

 Mass of Cryo Unit
 11000 kg

 Mass of Payload
 289417.0399 kg

 Max G (F/W)
 6 earth G's

Thrust to Weight Ratio 1.2

g0 9.81 m/s^2

Thrust Requirement-top level analysis

ISP 435 sec finert 0.24 mass prop 637368.6101 kg

mass prop 637368.6101 kg add 20% for residual

max inert mass 201274.2979 kg max initial mass 1128059.948 kg F 13279521.71 N

Part 1: system mass and envelope

Me 13700.55093 kg Le 731.6630503 cm De 494.5639171 cm

Part 2: propellant

Oxygen and Hydrogen

O/F 3.8 ISP 435 sec

Part 3 & 4:Engine cycle and cooling approach

Expander cycle Regenerative cooling

Part 5: Pressure levels

Exit pressure (Pe) 15000 Pa selected Chamber pressure (Pc) 11500000 Pa selected Atmospheric pressure(Pa) 650 Pa vacuum 1.23 O/F = 3.8γ Тс 2800 K O/F = 3.89.8 kg/kmol O/F = 3.8MW

c* 2402.69663 m/s 1.02 c* eff.

Output

Determination of Propellant Needed at Mars

 Mpayload
 41000 kg

 Minert
 194560.3 kg

 Isp
 435 sec

 g0
 9.81 m/s^2

 Delta V
 3067 m/s

 f inert
 0.44 selected

M prop 248417 kg

finert 0.43921 calculated

 Isp
 435 sec

 f inert
 0.24

 payload
 289417 kg

 dV
 3290 m/s

Estimate Masses

 Mprop
 637368.6 eq. 1.27

 Minert
 201274.3 eq. 1.24

 Mfinal
 490691.3

 Minitial
 1128060

 Mfuel
 132785.1 O/F = 3.8

 Mox
 504583.5 O/F = 3.8

20% added for blow down extra

Vfuel 1870.213 71 Vox 441.8419 1142

Size Tanks

spherical tanks Composite Composite Fuel Ox Density Prop. 1142 71 Mass Prop/Press. 504583.483 132785.1271 MEOP tank (Pa) 2000000 2000000 4000000 4000000 Burst Press. (Pa) 1.23E+09 1.23E+09 Ftu (Pa) 4460 4460 Tank Density (kg/m³) 463.9340255 1963.723711 Vol. (5% Ullage) radius (m) 4.802372816 7.768382327 289.8154995 758.3523679 area (m^2) wall thickness (m) 0.007808736 0.012631516 mass tank (kg) 10093.39392 42722.96463 tank factor 6350 6350 29790.20447 126094.9352 mass tank using TF

Thrust Chamber		Nozzle	
N2O4/RP-1			
Input		Input	
Pc (Pa)	11500000		
C*	2402.69663	Nozzle Throat Dia	0.909846
gamma	1.23	Ae	34.15133
At	0.650167517	Nozzle exit Diam.	6.59415
Ae	34.15132535	Cone 1/2 angle (deg)	20
L* Table 5.6	0.5	Lf for eff=.985 fig 5.25	0.6
Мс	0.4	thick. throat wall (m)	0.038596
Ftu	3.10E+08 columbium	Using 1/2 chamber wall	
mult. factor	3	thick, nozzle exit	0.019298
cham cont angle	45	density nozzle mater.	8500 columbium
dens comb cham	8500 columbium	•	
expansion ratio	52.52696338		•
Output		Output	
Ac (m^2)	1.511418987	Ln (m) 15 deg nozzle	7.808749
Chamber Len (m)	0.215085136	Ln bell nozzle (m)	4.68525
Chamber Dia (m)	1.387226882	theta n	38
Troat Dia (m)	0.909845588	theta e	13
Len:Dia ratio	0.155046834		
Cham Thick (m)	0.077192464	Using a non-tapered bell n	ozzle
Mass Cham (kg)	963.9118645	mass nozzle (kg)	18117.95
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		Using a tapered nozzle	
		f1	-0.004119
		f2	0.606617
		mass nozzle (kg)	12444.76

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' Mass Summary

Total engine mass (using 50% for chamber & nozzle) Mass injectors (15%) mass oxidizer tank mass fuel tank	26817.34486 6704.336216 29790.20447 126094.9352
support structure (10% of tank & engine masses) feed system (system level estengine mass)	18270.24845 -13116.79393
Total Inert mass propellant mass payload mass Final mass	194560.2752 637368.6101 289417.0399 483977.3151
Inert mass fraction	0.233866474
Initial mass of vehicle Thrust F/W	1121345.925 13279521.71 1.207184961
Check G limit	2.796973939

Mars mission design

Cryogenic Storage with T1000G tanks without IMPRESS

Given

dV	6357 m/s
Mass of Habitat Unit	30000 kg
Mass of Cryo Unit	11000 kg
Mass of Payload	41000 kg
Max G (F/W)	6 earth G's
	4.0

Thrust to Weight Ratio 1.2

g0 9.81 m/s^2

Thrust Requirement-top level analysis

ISP	435 sec	
finert	0.054	
mass prop	210274.5125 kg	add 20% for residual
max inert mass	12002.98486 kg	
max initial mass	263277.4974 kg	
F	3099302.699 N	

Part 1: system mass and envelope

Me	3811.939654	kg
Le	421.9807881	cm
De	254.4125507	cm

Part 2: propellant

Oxygen and Hydrogen

O/F	3.8
ISP	435 sec

Part 3 & 4:Engine cycle and cooling approach

Expander cycle
Regenerative cooling

Part 5: Pressure levels

Exit pressure (Pe)	15000	Pa	selected
Chamber pressure (Pc)	11500000	Pa	selected
Atmospheric pressure(Pa)	650	Pa	vacuum
γ	1.23		O/F = 3.8
Tc	2800	K	O/F = 3.8
MW	9.8	kg/kmol	O/F = 3.8
c*	2402.69663	m/s	1.02 c* eff.

Output

Me	4.627484385	
ε	52.52696338	to get Pe
mdot propellant	726.2827515	eq 1.7
At	0.151742358	eq 3.133
Ae	7.970565295	using ε
mdot ox	574.9738449	O/F = 3.8
mdot fuel	151.3089066	O/F = 3.8

 Isp
 435 sec

 f inert
 0.054

 payload
 41000 kg

 dV
 6357 m/s

Estimate Masses

Mprop 210274.5 eq. 1.27 Minert 12002.98 eq. 1.24 53002.98 Mfinal 263277.5 Minitial 43807.19 O/F = 3.8 Mfuel Mox 166467.3 O/F = 3.8 617.0027 71 Vfuel 1142 Vox 145.7682

20% added for blow down extra

Size Tanks

spherical tanks Composite Composite Ox Fuel Density Prop. 1142 71 Mass Prop/Press. 166467.3224 43807.19011 MEOP tank (Pa) 2000000 2000000 4000000 4000000 Burst Press. (Pa) Ftu (Pa) 1.16E+09 1.16E+09 1550 Tank Density (kg/m³) 1550 Vol. (5% Ullage) 153.056645 647.8528115 3.318342378 5.367794894 radius (m) 138.3732848 362.0776265 area (m^2) wall thickness (m) 0.00572128 0.009254819 mass tank (kg) 1227.092067 5193.992368 tank factor 50800 50800 1228.512164 5200.003303 mass tank using TF

Thrust Chamber		Nozzle	
N2O4/RP-1			
Input		Input	
Pc (Pa)	11500000		
C*	2402.69663	Nozzle Throat Dia	0.43955
gamma	1.23	Ae	7.970565
At	0.151742358	Nozzle exit Diam.	3.185661
Ae	7.970565295	Cone 1/2 angle (deg)	20
L* Table 5.6	0.5	Lf for eff=.985 fig 5.25	0.6
Mc	0.4	thick. throat wall (m)	0.018646
Ftu	3.10E+08 columbium	Using 1/2 chamber wall	
mult. factor	3	thick. nozzle exit	0.009323
cham cont angle	45	density nozzle mater.	8500 columbium
dens comb cham	8500 columbium	•	
expansion ratio	52.52696338		
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Output		Output	
Ac (m^2)	0.352749523	Ln (m) 15 deg nozzle	3.772439
Chamber Len (m)	0.215085136	Ln bell nozzle (m)	2.263464
Chamber Dia (m)	0.670175083	theta n	38
Troat Dia (m)	0.439550192	theta e	13
Len:Dia ratio	0.320938724		
Cham Thick (m)	0.037292001	Using a non-tapered bell n	ozzle
Mass Cham (kg)	182.8794854	mass nozzle (kg)	2042.826
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		Using a tapered nozzle	
		f1	-0.004119
		f2	0.606617
		mass nozzle (kg)	1403.165

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Mass Summary

Total engine mass (using 50% for chamber & nozzle) Mass injectors (15%) mass oxidizer tank mass fuel tank	3172.089902 793.0224755 1228.512164 5200.003303
support structure (10% of tank & engine masses) feed system (system level estengine mass)	960.0605369 639.8497522
Total Inert mass propellant mass payload mass Final mass	11993.53813 210274.5125 41000 52993.53813
Inert mass fraction	0.053959794
Initial mass of vehicle	263268.0507
Thrust F/W	3099302.699 1.200043059
Check G limit	5.961726807

Mars mission design

Cryogenic Storage with Titanium Tanks without IMPRESS

Given

dV	6357 r	n/s
Mass of Habitat Unit	30000 k	κg
Mass of Cryo Unit	11000 k	κg
Mass of Payload	41000 k	кg
Max G (F/W)	6 €	earth G's

Thrust to Weight Ratio 1.2

g0 9.81 m/s^2

Thrust Requirement-top level analysis

ISP	435 sec
finert	0.225
mass prop	66511024.08 kg

mass prop 66511024.08 kg max inert mass 19309652.15 kg add 20% for residual

max initial mass 85861676.23 kg F 1010763653 N

Part 1: system mass and envelope

Me 704664.2419 kg Le 31075.13031 cm De 24025.21456 cm

Part 2: propellant

Oxygen and Hydrogen

O/F 3.8 ISP 435 sec

Part 3 & 4:Engine cycle and cooling approach

Expander cycle Regenerative cooling

Part 5: Pressure levels

Exit pressure (Pe)	15000 Pa	selected
Chamber pressure (Pc)	11500000 Pa	selected
Atmospheric pressure(Pa)	650 Pa	vacuum
γ	1.23	O/F = 3.8
Тс	2800 K	O/F = 3.8
MW	9.8 kg/kmol	O/F = 3.8

c* 2402.69663 m/s 1.02 c* eff.

Output

Me	4.627484385 eq 3.100
8	52.52696338 to get Pe
mdot propellant	236859.7965 eq 1.7
At	49.48715086 eq 3.133
Ae	2599.409761 using ε
mdot ox	187514.0056 O/F = 3.8
mdot fuel	49345.79094 O/F = 3.8

 Isp
 435 sec

 f inert
 0.225

 payload
 41000 kg

 dV
 6357 m/s

Estimate Masses

Mprop 66511024 eq. 1.27 Minert 19309652 eq. 1.24

Mfinal 19350652 Minitial 85861676

Mfuel 13856463 O/F = 3.8 Mox 52654561 O/F = 3.8

Vfuel 195161.5 71 Vox 46107.32 1142

Size Tanks

spherical tanks

20% added for blow down extra

Composite Composite
Ox Fuel

Density Prop. 1142 71 Mass Prop/Press. 52654560.73 13856463.35

 MEOP tank (Pa)
 2000000
 2000000

 Burst Press. (Pa)
 4000000
 4000000

 Ftu (Pa)
 1.23E+09
 1.23E+09

 Tank Density (kg/m^3)
 4460
 4460

 Vol. (5% Ullage)
 48412.68719
 204919.5284

 radius (m)
 22.60946018
 36.57336437

 area (m^2)
 6423.773961
 16808.91533

 wall thickness (m)
 0.03676335
 0.059468885

 mass tank (kg)
 1053271.146
 4458249.252

tank factor 6350 6350 mass tank using TF 3108683.069 13158324.92

Thrust Chamber		Nozzle	
N2O4/RP-1			
Input		Input	
Pc (Pa)	11500000		
C*	2402.69663	Nozzle Throat Dia	7.937821
gamma	1.23	Ae	2599.41
At	49.48715086	Nozzle exit Diam.	57.52974
Ae	2599.409761	Cone 1/2 angle (deg)	20
L* Table 5.6	0.5	Lf for eff=.985 fig 5.25	0.6
Mc	0.4	thick. throat wall (m)	0.336727
Ftu	3.10E+08 columbium	Using 1/2 chamber wall	
mult. factor	3	thick. nozzle exit	0.168364
cham cont angle	45	density nozzle mater.	8500 columbium
dens comb cham	8500 columbium		
expansion ratio	52.52696338		
Output		Output	
Ac (m^2)	115.0408433	Ln (m) 15 deg nozzle	68.12634
Chamber Len (m)	0.215085136	Ln bell nozzle (m)	40.87581
Chamber Dia (m)	12.1026671	theta n	38
Troat Dia (m)	7.937820698	theta e	13
Len:Dia ratio	0.017771714		
Cham Thick (m)	0.673454863	Using a non-tapered bell r	nozzle
Mass Cham (kg)	278483.2681	mass nozzle (kg)	12031224
Mass Chain (kg)	270400.2001	mass nozzie (kg)	12001221
		Using a tapered nozzle	
		f1	-0.004119
		f2	0.606617
		mass nozzle (kg)	8263943

Mass Summary

Total engine mass (using 50% for chamber & nozzle) Mass injectors (15%) mass oxidizer tank mass fuel tank	17084852.8 4271213.199 3108683.069 13158324.92
support structure (10% of tank & engine masses) feed system	3335186.079 -16380188.55
(system level estengine mass)	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
Total Inert mass	24578071.51
propellant mass	66511024.08
payload mass Final mass	41000 24619071.51
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Inert mass fraction	0.26982452
Initial mass of vehicle	91130095.59
Thrust	1010763653
F/W	1.130625517
Check G limit	4.185129867